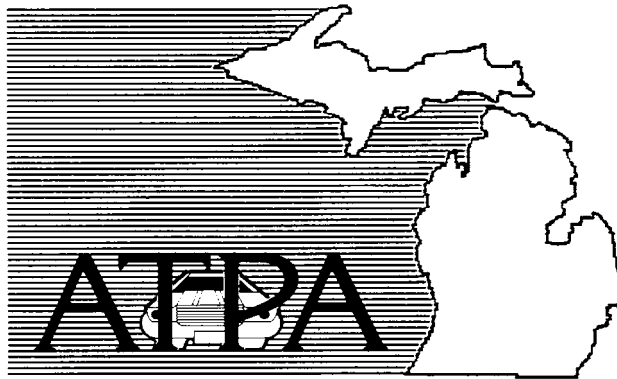


# **Michigan Automobile Theft Prevention Authority**



**2002 Annual Report to the Governor  
and Legislature  
of the State of Michigan**

## **AUTO THEFT PREVENTION TIPS**

- Close the vehicle windows completely, lock the doors, and take the keys with you whenever you leave your vehicle.
- Never hide a second set of keys in your vehicle. Keep the spare key in your wallet or purse.
- Don't leave your vehicle running, even if you will be gone for less than a minute.
- If you have a garage, park your vehicle inside and lock both the garage and the vehicle.
- Put all your valuables in the trunk where thieves cannot see them.
- Park in a well-lighted area when it is dark, and park near the entrances of buildings.
- Park with the vehicle's front wheels turned sharply to the right or left, and set the emergency brake. That makes it very difficult to tow the vehicle.
- Have the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etched into the vehicle's glass.
- Park in attended lots.
- Never leave the registration, title, or insurance certificate in the vehicle. Carry the registration and certificate in your wallet or purse, and file the title safely at home.
- Drop your business cards or other identification inside the vehicle's doors, under the back seat, and behind the dash.
- Activate any anti-theft device that you have installed on the vehicle when unoccupied.

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## **2003 Board of Directors and Staff Automobile Theft Prevention Authority**

The ATPA operates under a Board of Directors appointed by the Governor. By law, the board includes the Director of the Department of State Police and representatives of law enforcement, the automobile insurance industry, and purchasers of automobile insurance.

### **Director, Michigan State Police**

Colonel Stephen Madden  
ATPA Chair

### **Representing Law Enforcement Officials**

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Detroit Police Department

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Oakland County Sheriff's Office

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Johnson Controls, Inc.

Brenda Schneider  
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Director, Business & Development Services  
Comerica Bank  
ATPA Vice Chair

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Steven Wagner  
Vice President, Product Management  
AAA Michigan

### **Staff**

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Chalouy "Newt" Shoup, Auditor  
Nonda Beebe, Departmental Technician  
Cindy Stoneham, Secretary

## **To the Governor and Honorable Members of the Michigan Legislature:**

**On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Automobile Theft Prevention Authority, it is a pleasure to present our Annual Report. I am proud to convey that auto theft was down again in 2001. This is the 13<sup>th</sup> reduction in the last 15 years. Since the Authority's inception, auto theft in Michigan has decreased over 27%, while auto theft for the same period nationally has increased a fraction.**

**This consistent reduction has been accomplished through a comprehensive program involving cooperation among all levels of government and the private sector. This includes multi-jurisdictional law enforcement task forces, prosecutors, neighborhood groups, and insurance companies. This partnership exemplifies how a cooperative effort can impact a serious problem.**

**The board will continue to monitor effective programs and provide resources to those initiatives that can attain significant outcomes in the fight against auto theft. We can take pride in the efforts of the men and women who have contributed to Michigan achieving a lower level of auto theft than a quarter century ago.**

**This past year marked our 16<sup>th</sup> year of operation, and the success we have enjoyed has served as a model for other states to follow.**

**On a personal note, I will be retiring soon and will be leaving the ATPA. I am confident that the Authority will continue to build upon their working partnerships in the coming year, and thus further efforts that will curb auto theft in Michigan.**

**Sincerely,**

**Col. Stephen D. Madden  
CHAIR**

# THE ATPA

## History and Description

### History

In the mid-1980's, Michigan had the highest auto theft rate in the nation. Members of the Michigan Anti-Car Theft Campaign Committee (ACT) developed a concept that would combine the efforts of law enforcement, communities, and business against auto theft.

In 1986, Michigan's Governor and Legislature decided to try the ACT Committee's idea. So began one of Michigan's most effective weapons against crime: the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority.

Since then, the ATPA has led the way in reducing auto thefts in the state.

### A Successful Experiment

The ATPA was established with a sunset provision that automatically abolished the program unless it was renewed by the Legislature. The purpose of the sunset was to ensure that the program, created as an experiment in law enforcement, was doing its job as intended.

In 1992, the Legislature and Governor agreed that the ATPA should become a permanent state agency. The legislation was passed overwhelmingly in both the House and Senate.

### How the ATPA Works

The ATPA is funded by an annual \$1 assessment on each insured noncommercial passenger vehicle, plus interest earned by investing those funds.

It is governed by a seven-member board of directors appointed by the Governor which includes representatives of law enforcement, automobile insurers, and consumers of automobile insurance.

Each year the board awards grants to law enforcement agencies, prosecutors' offices, and nonprofit community organizations. These grant programs prevent auto theft, catch auto thieves, and put the thieves in jail.

The ATPA has five staff members at Michigan State Police headquarters in East Lansing. They conduct financial and performance audits on each program throughout the year and prepare reports for the board.

ATPA board members are liaisons sharing crucial information with key state and national officials.

Finally, ATPA board members and staff are involved in long-range planning. Regular meetings, including an annual strategic planning session, provide updated goals and objectives for fighting auto theft.

### Stretching Resources

Since its inception in 1986, funding for the ATPA has remained relatively constant. However, the cost of the ATPA funded programs has increased. For the past 16 years, the activities of the ATPA have drawn from these fixed resources in the most efficient and effective manner.

In order to stretch ATPA funds, the board requires grantees to provide matching funds for their anti-theft efforts. In 1993, grant recipients were required to provide 12.5% of total program costs. That match was increased to 25% beginning in 1994 and has become a hard match for 2002.

### Bucking the Trend

From 1986 to 2001, auto thefts in Michigan dropped over 27%. During that same time period, national thefts decreased for awhile but are now above 1986 levels. National and state officials have agreed that the ATPA is a major reason for Michigan's decline in auto theft.

As a direct result, major Michigan auto insurers' average rate of comprehensive premium, relative to other states, has been reduced. The \$1 investment by owners of non-commercial passenger vehicles has earned a good return of \$28.

# 2002 OVERVIEW OF ATPA ACTIVITY

## ATPA Website

During 2002, the ATPA website was revised. The site address is [www.miatpa.org](http://www.miatpa.org). This will take you to the Michigan State Police home page; then click onto the ATPA portion on the left side. The site provides historical and current data, as well as being interactive with ATPA grantees and the general public.

## Innovative Grant Program

The second year of a 2-year project was implemented in 2002: a special southeast Michigan training program in auto theft recognition for road patrol officers.

The board introduced this program in order to stimulate original ideas and creative programs to combat auto theft. These one-time grants, with funding up to 100%, are outside the norm of the regular grant process. The applicant can submit a brief concept paper that addresses five specific criteria areas. There is not a set deadline for submission, and projects can be more or less than the usual one-year grant period. The innovative package is available through the ATPA.

## Board Appointments/Changes

There were several changes to the board in 2002, as all the appointments expired in July.

- Reappointed to the board were: Steven Wagner of AAA Michigan; Thomas Packla of State Farm; and Brenda Schneider of Comerica Bank.
- New appointments were Chief Jerry Oliver, Detroit PD; Capt. Michael McCabe, Oakland County Sheriff Department; and David Robertson, Genesee County Board of Commissioners.
- Col. Stephen Madden replaced the retiring Michael Robinson and was appointed chair by the Governor.

Later in the year, David Robertson was elected to the Michigan legislature and resigned from the Board. He was replaced by Valerie Knol of Johnson Controls, Inc.

Also, the board expressed appreciation to outgoing member Judge Christopher Boyd for his dedication and insight in serving 16 years. Judge Boyd was an original member of the ATPA Board. Ms. Schneider becomes the last original member and has served with distinction in fulfilling the mission of the ATPA.

## Training Videos

The Law Enforcement Television Network (LETN), based near Dallas, came to Michigan to produce auto theft training videos for national use. Utilizing the expertise of the ATPA training grant personnel, LETN developed three half-hour videos for use by all police departments and auto

theft investigators. They are 1) Identifying and 2)

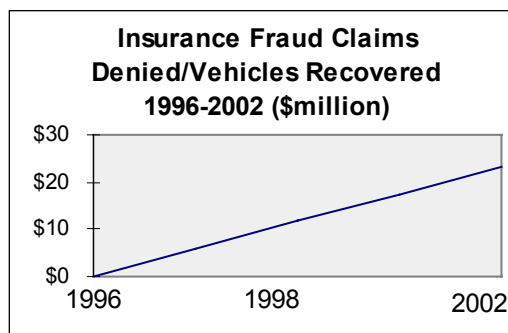
Investigating the Stolen Motor Vehicle, and 3) Heavy Equipment and Motorcycle Theft. These videos will be made available for distribution by the ATPA in early 2003.

## ATPA Grant Hearings

Board members participated in the 2003 grant hearings on November 7, 2002, in Dearborn. Total grant requests were \$10.1 million. Final approved budgets totaled \$8.4 million, with an ATPA share of \$6.3 million. The applicants appearing before the board included: 1) all new grant requests, 2) current grants with significant changes, and 3) grantees that had not appeared before the board in the past few years. Utilizing a streamlined and enhanced grant review process, the board completed the grant hearings and deliberations by mid-afternoon. A total of 43 different agencies received funding.

## Insurance Fraud Savings

A review of ATPA funded law enforcement teams in the past seven years found that those teams were involved in 4,181 fraud cases and \$27.3 million in recoveries. Without the ATPA teams, these fraudulent claims would have been paid.



## VIN Etching Proves Successful

The ATPA conducted a multi-year study of VIN etched vehicles, and the results were positive and statistically significant: etched vehicles are 29% less likely to be stolen when compared to the rest of the vehicles in Michigan.

The ATPA again coordinated a statewide glass VIN etching program with AAA Michigan. This program, which was open to the general public, utilized AAA employees, ATPA non-profit groups, and the ATPA staff. Nearly 2,200 vehicles were etched at 33 AAA branches. Not only does it make a car less appealing to car thieves, but an etched vehicle may also qualify for a discount on the comprehensive portion of auto insurance premiums. Vehicles etched in this program over a seven-year period total over 26,000.

# TASK FORCE HIGHLIGHTS

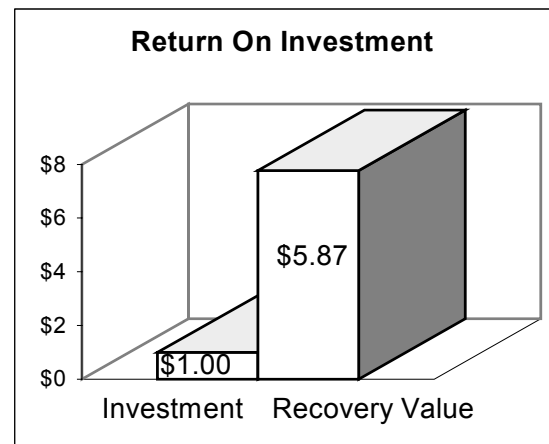
- **“Good Samaritan”** The Hamtramck Police Department uses a “bait” vehicle that they place in a high theft area with the keys in the ignition. One night they were on surveillance of that vehicle, and a man walked by the car, opened the door, and looked inside. He walked away, but came back a few minutes later and got in the vehicle. Before officers could respond, the man got out of the vehicle and walked into a nearby store. When officers caught up with him and asked what he was doing, he replied that some fool had left the keys in their car and he had just turned them over to the store manager so it wouldn’t get stolen!
- **“Stealing Cars from Police?”** Bill wanted to buy his neighbor Bob’s car, but Bob didn’t want to sell it. Bob’s car then had an engine fire and was towed to the Grand Rapids PD impound lot. Bill took forged sale and title documents to the Secretary of State and got a title to Bob’s car. Bill then went to the Grand Rapids PD impound lot, showed fake ownership documents, and paid \$180 to get the car released. Later that day, Bob went to the impound lot for his car but it had already been stolen by Bill. Grand Rapids Team officers recovered Bob’s car and arrested Bill for title fraud. Three other retagged vehicles were recovered at Bill’s place.
- **“A Picture is Worth a 1,000 Words”** A Saginaw Team detective was on surveillance in a gas station looking for a recently stolen car when that car actually pulled in for gas. The detective got out of his car and took a picture of the driver with his digital camera. The suspect quickly drove off, a short chase followed, and the suspect bailed out and fled. The detective then took the digital photo to a juvenile detention center where several young car thieves immediately recognized the suspect. Several warrants were served, and the suspect is now awaiting trial.
- **“It Helps to Have Contacts”** Our West Grand Neighborhood organizer in Grand Rapids, who is a retired police officer, met with an officer/friend from neighboring Kentwood PD. Based on that meeting, the organizer put on a theft prevention program for a large community group. The Kentwood PD Chief was in attendance and

was impressed with the excellence of the presentation. The result was that the organizer was invited to do a major VIN etching program at Kentwood’s annual community safety day. Thus, a chance meeting with a friend led to a significant prevention program and exposure in another city.

- **“Quiet Neighbors are Best”** The Genesee County Team (GAIN) was involved with a case that started out with Jim, who lives in a modest neighborhood and is awakened by the roar of an engine. He went to the window to see a 2001 Corvette being revved up in the neighbor’s yard and finally driven into a shed. Jim knows the neighbor cannot afford expensive vehicles, but he goes back to bed. About 2 a.m., Jim is again awakened by the sound of hammering. Jim looked out the window and discovered the Corvette did not fit into the shed, so the neighbor is building an addition to cover the car. About a week later, Jim is awakened again by the sound of his neighbor cutting up the Corvette, and he called 911 out of frustration. GAIN was called in, and officers found the Corvette all dissected. The neighbor admitted making the car disappear so the owner could collect on insurance. After a lengthy interrogation, GAIN arrested both the owner and the neighbor.

## Return on Investment

During 2002, ATPA grantees achieved the following: 3,633 recovery incidents; 2,987 arrests; and nearly 2,700 vehicles etched. The law enforcement grantees recovered \$5.87 for every \$1 the ATPA invested.





## TASK FORCE HIGHLIGHTS, Continued

The following table displays the performance of ATPA law enforcement auto theft consortiums.

| YEAR          | ARRESTS       | \$ VALUE RECOVERED   |
|---------------|---------------|----------------------|
| 1989-1997     | 19,169        | 174,179,200          |
| 1998          | 2,423         | 26,560,315           |
| 1999          | 2,990         | 34,424,931           |
| 2000          | 3,336         | 40,472,663           |
| 2001          | 3,346         | 35,168,453           |
| 2002          | 2,987         | 31,758,922           |
| <b>TOTALS</b> | <b>34,251</b> | <b>\$342,564,484</b> |

- “Old Habits are Hard to Break”*** The ATPA-funded Auto Theft Training Coordinator, who is a retired state trooper, was obtaining training photos at a commercial vehicle weigh scale station when the first truck of the day pulled in to be checked. Our coordinator observed that the public VIN did not match the commercial VIN. Upon further investigation at the scene, it turned out that the vehicle was a 1993 Freightliner retagged as a 1998 and stolen out of Illinois in 1999. The vehicle was seized, and follow-up investigation was conducted by the MSP Auto Theft Unit. The value of the stolen vehicle was \$30,000.
- “Careful, Someone May be Listening”*** The Genesee County Prosecutor was involved in a case in which an 18-year-old left a party where underage drinking had occurred. He found a partygoer’s car with the keys still in it, stole the car, drove it home, and parked it in the woods behind his house. The 18-year-old then called a friend and told him what he had done—on a cordless phone. A neighbor heard the whole conversation and called the police. Eventually, the defendant confessed to everything, including wiping the car down for fingerprints. The judge found it amusing that he wiped the car of fingerprints but parked it behind his own house! The 18-year-old pled guilty to unlawful use of an auto.
- “Yahoos Who Really Yahoo”*** The Western Wayne Team reported a case of five “individuals” who, after a big night of partying, took one of their trucks out to do some “Baja-ing” at the country property of a grandfather. The Chevy S-10 4x4 got stuck, and they burned up the engine and transmission in the process. What to do? Well, they cut up the truck into pieces with saws and torches and buried it in a 5 x 20-foot trench. Then they reported it stolen to Detroit PD and put in a fraudulent insurance claim for \$19,000. However, a call to the HEAT Tip line led a trail to them. The owner confessed and directed police to the buried treasure. He had to pay back the \$19,000, plus expenses of \$600 to rent a backhoe to dig out the truck, and was finally sentenced to 18 months probation. An expensive night of partying.
- “Bad Timing for Bad Guy”*** The Washtenaw Area Team had just finished a stolen identity case where the person was arrested after he purchased a 2001 Tahoe with fraudulent identity. They had taken the subject to jail, as well as transported the vehicle back to Ann Arbor, when they pulled up to a red light next to a 2003 Cadillac Escalade with temporary plates in the window. Team members discussed who owns these expensive vehicles, and they glanced at the driver of the Escalade. It was the wife of the person they had under arrest! After lodging the arrested subject, they made calls to area Cadillac dealers in the area, and yes--the subject had gotten another fraudulent identity and purchased the Escalade. It was also recovered and another warrant was issued. The subject is currently in prison.
- “Status Seeker”*** Detroit Arson investigators found a late model Infinity burned in Detroit where there did not appear to be a motive. The vehicle ignition was intact, it had low miles and was paid for, it was not stripped, and it didn’t have collision damage. The vehicle driver, a young lady in high school, was from a wealthy family. A new Detroit ordinance requires that owners of burned vehicles must be interviewed before an insurance claim is processed. Investigators questioned the high school senior about her vehicle, and she finally admitted that all her friends drove Lexus’s. She knew her parents would buy her a Lexus if the Infinity disappeared!

## TASK FORCE HIGHLIGHTS, Continued

- ***“Who is Really Who”*** The Macomb Auto Theft Squad (MATS) investigated a case where an OUIL traffic stop of a 1998 Lexus was very suspicious due to non-matching identities. The MATS Team used high-tech procedures to confirm the suspect’s true identity. He had been using the identity of an Oakland County man for the past several years and had fraudulently purchased the Lexus. He was able to post bond on the OUIL, and a few days later called MATS about how he could get his car out of the impound lot. It just so happens that MATS was interviewing the real Oakland man when the suspect (fake man) called the MATS office claiming to be the real victim. When the suspect arrived at the impound lot for his Lexus, he was arrested by the awaiting officers. It turned out that the fake Oakland man had purchased other cars in the past few years, and the victim had been trying to clear his name and credit ever since. The suspect had been out on probation for using the real Oakland man’s identity in another recent car purchase.
  - ***“A Guy’s Got to Make a Living”*** The Oakland County Team conducted an inspection of an auto parts supplier based on a tip that the two store-owners were fencing stolen tires and rims. The team observed that many tires and rims were at the location. About a week later, a county Pontiac dealership had 15 tires and rims stolen off the new car lot. The next morning, team members returned to the parts shop and found the stolen tires and rims. The owners stated that the parts had just arrived that morning, but they had no receipts or paperwork regarding the tires. The owners indicated that the booty may have been stolen, but also added “I have to make a living, don’t I?” The team investigated further and found that a 928 Porsche inside the garage had been built with parts from another Porsche sitting outside the garage, which was stolen. The two owners were arrested for operating a chop shop.
  - ***“The Case of the Monster Trucks”*** The SCAR Team entered into a case after some parts were stolen from a large construction vehicle. They followed up on a tip from the victim who had placed an ad in a local paper promising a reward for the parts recovery. The tip generated a search warrant on the tipster! Nearly 350 stolen parts and property were recovered from six counties in southwest Michigan and involved 14 different victims who happily got their equipment back. It appears the suspect liked to steal heavy construction equipment in order to build his own monster-type trucks. He pled guilty to operating a chop shop and had his own equipment forfeited. SCAR had dealt with the crook five years earlier on a different stolen vehicle case.
  - ***“Cash Would be Better?”*** The Downriver Team broke a scam operation that involved many victimized citizens stretching from Detroit to Lansing. The suspects would “buy” vehicles advertised by owners utilizing cashiers’ checks that were later found to be counterfeit. The team set up a sting operation by advertising a newer Denali for sale. Shortly, a team member was contacted by the potential “buyer” who tendered an offer using a cashier’s check. The offer was accepted and, upon receipt of the phony check, four suspects were arrested. This led to a search of their residence where the team seized blank cashiers’ checks, typewriters, and evidence of other purchases. A trial date has been set.
- Vehicle Theft Rates**
- From 1986 to 2001, both Michigan’s population and registered vehicle fleet have grown 9% and 25% respectively. Despite these factors, Michigan’s theft rate per 100,000 population and per 100,000 registered vehicles has fallen dramatically.

| THEFT RATE | 1986  | 2001  | % CHANGE |
|------------|-------|-------|----------|
| Population | 787.5 | 523.6 | -33.51%  |
| Vehicles   | 999.5 | 579.8 | -41.99%  |

This table indicates how Michigan auto thefts compared with other states in 2001, using the latest data available.

| 2001 FBI MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS |                      |           |                  |                      |         |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|------------------|----------------------|---------|
| Total                         |                      |           | Theft Rate per   |                      |         |
| State                         | 2001 MVT             |           | State            | 100,000 pop.         |         |
| 1                             | California           | 204,033   | 1                | District of Columbia | 1,341.3 |
| 2                             | Texas                | 102,667   | 2                | Arizona              | 983.6   |
| 3                             | Florida              | 89,917    | 3                | Nevada               | 698.1   |
| 4                             | MICHIGAN (UCR)       | 52,310    | 4                | Washington           | 652.6   |
| 5                             | Arizona              | 52,203    | 5                | Maryland             | 595.8   |
| 6                             | Illinois             | 48,784    | 6                | California           | 591.4   |
| 7                             | New York             | 48,287    | 7                | Hawaii               | 550.7   |
| 8                             | Ohio                 | 42,229    | 8                | Florida              | 548.4   |
| 9                             | Washington           | 39,077    | 9                | MICHIGAN (UCR)       | 523.6   |
| 10                            | New Jersey           | 37,708    | 10               | Missouri             | 497.5   |
| 11                            | Georgia              | 37,589    | 11               | Tennessee            | 492.5   |
| 12                            | Pennsylvania         | 35,713    | 12               | Louisiana            | 485.7   |
| 13                            | Maryland             | 32,025    | 13               | Texas                | 481.4   |
| 14                            | Tennessee            | 28,272    | 14               | Rhode Island         | 476.2   |
| 15                            | Missouri             | 28,014    | 15               | Colorado             | 475.2   |
| 16                            | Massachusetts        | 27,828    | 16               | Georgia              | 448.3   |
| 17                            | North Carolina       | 24,647    | 17               | New Jersey           | 444.4   |
| 18                            | Louisiana            | 21,687    | 18               | Massachusetts        | 436.2   |
| 19                            | Indiana              | 21,499    | 19               | Oregon               | 427.4   |
| 20                            | Colorado             | 20,994    | 20               | Alaska               | 412.4   |
| 21                            | Virginia             | 18,842    | 21               | Illinois             | 390.8   |
| 22                            | Minnesota            | 15,031    | 22               | New Mexico           | 390.2   |
| 23                            | Oregon               | 14,842    | 23               | Nebraska             | 378.8   |
| 24                            | South Carolina       | 14,760    | 24               | Ohio                 | 371.3   |
| 25                            | Wisconsin            | 14,722    | 25               | South Carolina       | 363.3   |
| 26                            | Nevada               | 14,702    | 26               | Oklahoma             | 363.3   |
| 27                            | Alabama              | 12,619    | 27               | Connecticut          | 361.4   |
| 28                            | Oklahoma             | 12,569    | 28               | Indiana              | 351.6   |
| 29                            | Connecticut          | 12,378    | 29               | Delaware             | 349.0   |
| 30                            | Mississippi          | 9,473     | 30               | Mississippi          | 331.5   |
| 31                            | Kentucky             | 9,344     | 31               | Minnesota            | 302.3   |
| 32                            | Kansas               | 7,985     | 32               | North Carolina       | 301.1   |
| 33                            | District of Columbia | 7,670     | 33               | Kansas               | 296.3   |
| 34                            | Arkansas             | 7,320     | 34               | Pennsylvania         | 290.7   |
| 35                            | New Mexico           | 7,137     | 35               | Utah                 | 286.9   |
| 36                            | Hawaii               | 6,743     | 36               | Alabama              | 282.7   |
| 37                            | Utah                 | 6,513     | 37               | Wisconsin            | 272.5   |
| 38                            | Nebraska             | 6,490     | 38               | Arkansas             | 271.9   |
| 39                            | Iowa                 | 5,505     | 39               | Virginia             | 262.1   |
| 40                            | Rhode Island         | 5,043     | 40               | New York             | 254.0   |
| 41                            | West Virginia        | 3,216     | 41               | Kentucky             | 229.8   |
| 42                            | Delaware             | 2,779     | 42               | Montana              | 201.3   |
| 43                            | Alaska               | 2,618     | 43               | Iowa                 | 188.3   |
| 44                            | Idaho                | 2,389     | 44               | Idaho                | 180.8   |
| 45                            | New Hampshire        | 2,140     | 45               | West Virginia        | 178.5   |
| 46                            | Montana              | 1,821     | 46               | North Dakota         | 171.2   |
| 47                            | Maine                | 1,671     | 47               | New Hampshire        | 170.0   |
| 48                            | North Dakota         | 1,086     | 48               | Wyoming              | 140.8   |
| 49                            | South Dakota         | 815       | 49               | Maine                | 129.9   |
| 50                            | Vermont              | 758       | 50               | Vermont              | 123.6   |
| 51                            | Wyoming              | 696       | 51               | South Dakota         | 107.7   |
| NATIONAL TOTAL                |                      | 1,226,457 | NATIONAL AVERAGE |                      | 430.6   |

## STATES WITH HIGHEST MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS (FBI)

|                     | 1986             | 1993             | 2001             | 1993-2001<br>% CHANGE | 1986-2001<br>% CHANGE |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| CALIFORNIA          | 205,597          | 319,295          | 204,033          | -36.1%                | -0.8%                 |
| TEXAS               | 119,121          | 124,837          | 102,667          | -17.8%                | -13.8%                |
| FLORIDA             | 69,824           | 122,516          | 89,917           | -26.6%                | 28.8%                 |
| <b>MICHIGAN UCR</b> | <b>72,021</b>    | <b>56,670</b>    | <b>52,310</b>    | <b>-7.7%</b>          | <b>-27.4%</b>         |
| ARIZONA             | 13,892           | 33,998           | 52,203           | 53.5%                 | 275.8%                |
| ILLINOIS            | 72,587           | 65,351           | 48,784           | -25.4%                | -32.8%                |
| NEW YORK            | 113,247          | 151,949          | 48,287           | -68.2%                | -57.4%                |
| OHIO                | 40,396           | 48,276           | 42,229           | -12.5%                | 4.5%                  |
| WASHINGTON          | 14,037           | 23,969           | 39,077           | 63.0%                 | 178.4%                |
| NEW JERSEY          | 59,096           | 56,253           | 37,708           | -33.0%                | -36.2%                |
| GEORGIA             | 26,264           | 41,076           | 37,589           | -8.5%                 | 43.1%                 |
| PENNSYLVANIA        | 42,130           | 53,033           | 35,713           | -32.7%                | -15.2%                |
| MARYLAND            | 24,334           | 33,930           | 32,025           | -5.6%                 | 31.6%                 |
| TENNESSEE           | 26,109           | 30,135           | 28,272           | -6.2%                 | 8.3%                  |
| MISSOURI            | 22,233           | 28,666           | 28,014           | -2.3%                 | 26.0%                 |
| MASSACHUSETTS       | 52,866           | 49,063           | 27,828           | -43.3%                | -47.4%                |
| N. CAROLINA         | 13,186           | 20,036           | 24,647           | 23.0%                 | 86.9%                 |
| LOUISIANA           | 19,875           | 26,359           | 21,687           | -17.7%                | 9.1%                  |
| INDIANA             | 18,027           | 24,456           | 21,499           | -12.1%                | 19.3%                 |
| COLORADO            | 15,876           | 16,058           | 20,994           | 30.7%                 | 32.2%                 |
| <b>NATIONAL</b>     | <b>1,224,127</b> | <b>1,561,047</b> | <b>1,226,457</b> | <b>-21.4%</b>         | <b>0.2%</b>           |

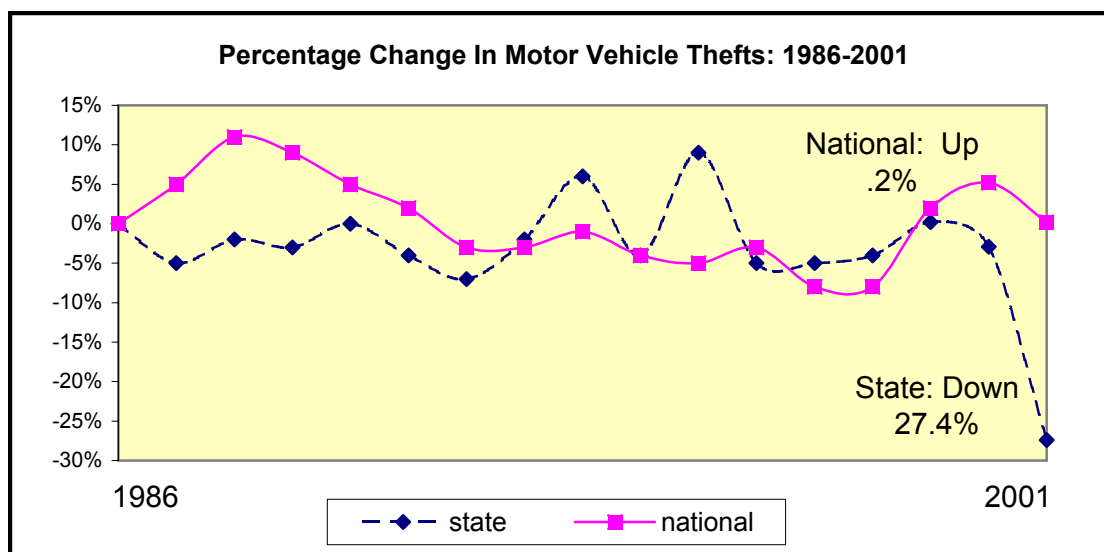
## U.S. TOP 10 MOST STOLEN

| 2000 Model Year<br>Source: NHTSA, July 2002 | NICB 2001 Data<br>(All Years and Models) |
|---|--|
| MAKE/MODEL                                  | MAKE/MODEL                               |
| 1. Dodge Stratus                            | 1. Toyota Camry                          |
| 2. Dodge Intrepid                           | 2. Honda Accord                          |
| 3. Dodge Neon                               | 3. Honda Civic                           |
| 4. Jeep Cherokee                            | 4. Oldsmobile Cutlass/Supreme/Ciera      |
| 5. Honda Civic                              | 5. Jeep Cherokee/Grand Cherokee          |
| 6. Pontiac Grand Am                         | 6. Chevrolet Full Size C/K Pickup        |
| 7. Oldsmobile Alero                         | 7. Toyota Corolla                        |
| 8. Kia Sephia/Spectra                       | 8. Ford Taurus                           |
| 9. Toyota Corolla                           | 9. Chevrolet Caprice                     |
| 10. Ford Mustang                            | 10. Ford F150 Pickup                     |

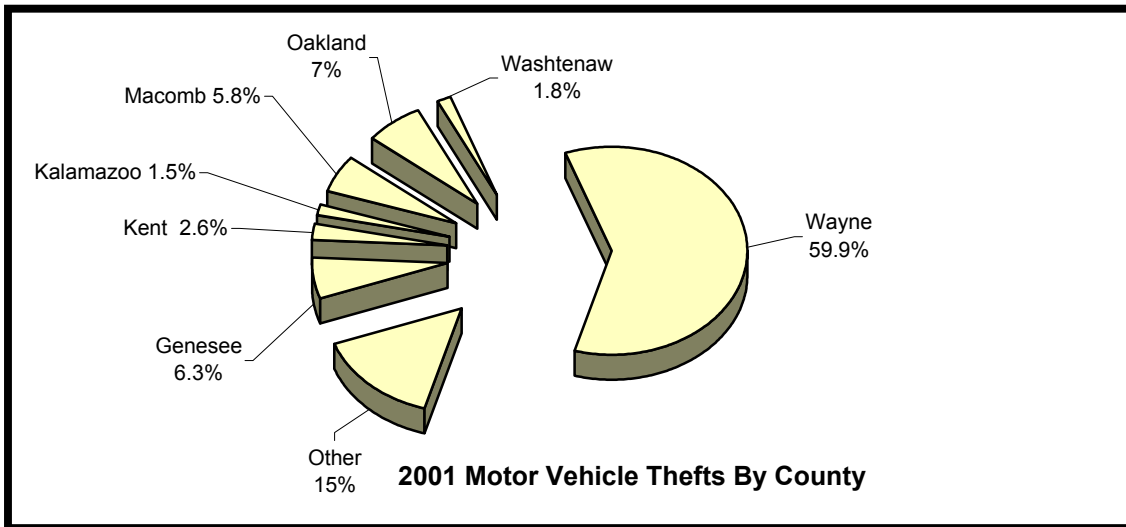
## MICHIGAN MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT TRENDS

The following table provides data indicating that from 1986 to 2001, Michigan thefts have declined 27.4% and national thefts have increased .2%.

| Year     | State  |          | Detroit |          | National  |          |
|----------|--------|----------|---------|----------|-----------|----------|
|          | Thefts | % Change | Thefts  | % Change | Thefts    | % Change |
| 1986     | 72,021 |          | 31,913  |          | 1,224,127 |          |
| 1987     | 68,415 | -5%      | 29,811  | -7%      | 1,285,300 | 5%       |
| 1988     | 67,211 | -2%      | 30,123  | 1%       | 1,432,916 | 11%      |
| 1989     | 65,297 | -3%      | 28,123  | -7%      | 1,564,800 | 9%       |
| 1990     | 65,220 | -0.1%    | 30,376  | 8%       | 1,635,907 | 5%       |
| 1991     | 62,636 | -4%      | 28,740  | -5%      | 1,661,738 | 2%       |
| 1992     | 58,037 | -7%      | 27,344  | -5%      | 1,610,834 | -3%      |
| 1993     | 56,670 | -2%      | 28,061  | 3%       | 1,561,047 | -3%      |
| 1994     | 60,227 | 6%       | 29,569  | 5%       | 1,539,097 | -1%      |
| 1995     | 57,895 | -4%      | 29,273  | -1%      | 1,472,732 | -4%      |
| 1996     | 62,930 | 9%       | 34,265  | 17%      | 1,395,192 | -5%      |
| 1997     | 59,826 | -5%      | 33,439  | -2%      | 1,353,707 | -3%      |
| 1998     | 56,536 | -5%      | 28,651  | -14%     | 1,240,754 | -8%      |
| 1999     | 54,018 | -4%      | 26,607  | -7%      | 1,147,305 | -8%      |
| 2000     | 53,889 | -0.2%    | 25,892  | -3%      | 1,165,559 | 2%       |
| 2001     | 52,310 | -2.9%    | 24,537  | -5%      | 1,226,457 | 5%       |
| % Change |        | -27.4%   |         | -23.1%   |           | 0.2%     |



## COUNTIES WITH HIGHEST MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS



| COUNTY      | MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS |        |        | % CHANGE  | % CHANGE  | % CHANGE   |
|-------------|----------------------|--------|--------|-----------|-----------|------------|
|             | 1986                 | 1993   | 2001   | 1986-1993 | 1993-2001 | 1986 -2001 |
| WAYNE       | 43,300               | 34,949 | 31,349 | -19%      | -10%      | -28%       |
| OAKLAND     | 9,310                | 4,830  | 3,683  | -48%      | -24%      | -60%       |
| GENESEE     | 3,290                | 3,296  | 3,302  | 0%        | 0%        | 0%         |
| MACOMB      | 5,832                | 3,182  | 3,038  | -45%      | -5%       | -48%       |
| KENT        | 1,778                | 1,691  | 1,359  | -5%       | -20%      | -24%       |
|             |                      |        |        |           |           |            |
| WASHTENAW   | 1,449                | 882    | 927    | -39%      | 5%        | -36%       |
| KALAMAZOO   | 591                  | 775    | 804    | 31%       | 4%        | 36%        |
| INGHAM      | 812                  | 1,084  | 764    | 33%       | -30%      | -6%        |
| SAGINAW     | 569                  | 468    | 747    | -18%      | 60%       | 31%        |
| MUSKEGON    | 331                  | 611    | 614    | 85%       | 0.5%      | 85%        |
|             |                      |        |        |           |           |            |
| CALHOUN     | 244                  | 402    | 541    | 65%       | 35%       | 122%       |
| JACKSON     | 308                  | 278    | 477    | -10%      | 72%       | 55%        |
| BERRIEN     | 408                  | 511    | 458    | 25%       | -10%      | 12%        |
| MONROE      | 279                  | 370    | 358    | 33%       | -3%       | 28%        |
| ST. CLAIR   | 261                  | 249    | 308    | -5%       | 24%       | 18%        |
|             |                      |        |        |           |           |            |
| BAY         | 175                  | 208    | 233    | 19%       | 12%       | 33%        |
| OTTAWA      | 194                  | 210    | 222    | 8%        | 6%        | 14%        |
| VAN BUREN   | 150                  | 176    | 203    | 17%       | 15%       | 35%        |
| LIVINGSTON  | 204                  | 159    | 202    | -22%      | 27%       | -1%        |
| EATON       | 122                  | 187    | 170    | 53%       | -9%       | 39%        |
| OTHER       | 2,414                | 2,152  | 2,551  | -11%      | 19%       | 6%         |
| STATE TOTAL | 72,021               | 56,670 | 52,310 | -21.3%    | -7.7%     | -27.4%     |

## JURISDICTIONS WITH MORE THAN 100 MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS

| JURISDICTION            | 1997<br>THEFTS | 1998<br>THEFTS | 1999<br>THEFTS | 2000<br>THEFTS | 2001<br>THEFTS | % CHANGE<br>1997 - 2001 |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| DETROIT                 | 33,439         | 28,651         | 26,607         | 25,892         | 24,537         | -27%                    |
| FLINT                   | 2,397          | 2,020          | 1,796          | 2,128          | 1,965          | -18%                    |
| DEARBORN                | 1,331          | 1,069          | 1,024          | 986            | 1,176          | -12%                    |
| WARREN                  | 740            | 1,153          | 815            | 728            | 1,118          | 51%                     |
| HIGHLAND PARK           | 596            | 707            | 819            | 901            | 874            | 47%                     |
| SOUTHFIELD              | 1,034          | 991            | 951            | 1,087          | 828            | -20%                    |
| HAMTRAMCK               | 349            | 460            | 738            | 700            | 696            | 99%                     |
| GRAND RAPIDS            | 1,144          | 1,223          | 987            | 860            | 677            | -41%                    |
| WESTLAND                | 376            | 459            | 450            | 440            | 549            | 46%                     |
| PONTIAC                 | 1,006          | 756            | 589            | 599            | 546            | -46%                    |
| TAYLOR                  | 784            | 717            | 612            | 567            | 525            | -33%                    |
| KALAMAZOO               | 360            | 361            | 518            | 485            | 483            | 34%                     |
| LANSING                 | 485            | 432            | 438            | 421            | 483            | 0%                      |
| SAGINAW                 | 378            | 382            | 313            | 408            | 403            | 7%                      |
| REDFORD TWP (Wayne)     | 477            | 527            | 516            | 582            | 371            | -22%                    |
| ROSEVILLE               | 315            | 310            | 290            | 333            | 346            | 10%                     |
| FLINT TWP (Genesee)     | 469            | 442            | 400            | 372            | 345            | -26%                    |
| BATTLE CREEK            | 383            | 354            | 345            | 318            | 331            | -14%                    |
| CLINTON TWP (Macomb)    | 374            | 364            | 395            | 388            | 328            | -12%                    |
| DEARBORN HGTS           | 370            | 326            | 307            | 309            | 312            | -16%                    |
| INKSTER                 | 303            | 301            | 305            | 279            | 302            | 0%                      |
| LIVONIA                 | 358            | 422            | 308            | 284            | 277            | -23%                    |
| LINCOLN PARK            | 432            | 415            | 318            | 348            | 273            | -37%                    |
| STERLING HGTS           | 301            | 274            | 284            | 250            | 270            | -10%                    |
| MT MORRIS TWP (Genesee) | 359            | 282            | 282            | 333            | 262            | -27%                    |
| EASTPOINTE              | 202            | 264            | 267            | 279            | 258            | 28%                     |
| ROMULUS                 | 281            | 282            | 244            | 223            | 249            | -11%                    |
| MADISON HEIGHTS         | 209            | 238            | 230            | 238            | 241            | 15%                     |
| MUSKEGON                | 316            | 445            | 479            | 428            | 235            | -26%                    |
| WYOMING                 | 249            | 278            | 259            | 247            | 233            | -6%                     |
| TROY                    | 188            | 150            | 164            | 145            | 205            | 9%                      |
| WATERFORD TWP (Oakland) | 344            | 265            | 247            | 186            | 203            | -41%                    |
| JACKSON                 | 162            | 211            | 156            | 182            | 197            | 22%                     |
| BURTON                  | 216            | 190            | 222            | 234            | 188            | -13%                    |
| WAYNE                   | 162            | 148            | 172            | 185            | 185            | 14%                     |
| ST. CLAIR SHORES        | 162            | 194            | 211            | 205            | 179            | 10%                     |
| YPSILANTI               | 176            | 153            | 146            | 145            | 170            | -3%                     |
| SOUTHGATE               | 140            | 125            | 182            | 163            | 168            | 20%                     |
| ROYAL OAK               | 209            | 169            | 172            | 186            | 166            | -21%                    |
| CANTON TWP (Wayne)      | 175            | 190            | 176            | 163            | 165            | -6%                     |
| FARMINGTON HILLS        | 198            | 162            | 148            | 153            | 164            | -17%                    |
| ANN ARBOR               | 216            | 213            | 206            | 201            | 163            | -25%                    |
| HAZEL PARK              | 210            | 126            | 142            | 209            | 161            | -23%                    |
| BENTON TWP (Berrien)    | 60             | 120            | 134            | 128            | 153            | 155%                    |
| OAK PARK                | 274            | 131            | 213            | 251            | 144            | -47%                    |
| FERNDAL                 | 152            | 198            | 134            | 150            | 134            | -12%                    |
| HARPER WOODS            | 242            | 32             | 186            | 183            | 132            | -45%                    |
| BAY CITY                | 82             | 95             | 108            | 113            | 114            | 39%                     |
| PITTSFIELD TWP (Wash)   | 136            | 138            | 110            | 119            | 112            | -18%                    |
| GARDEN CITY             | 53             | 74             | 46             | 64             | 102            | 92%                     |

| <b>MOTOR VEHICLE THEFTS - TOP 25 COUNTIES</b> |                    |                    |                         |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>COUNTY</b>                                 | <b>2000 THEFTS</b> | <b>2001 THEFTS</b> | <b>CHANGE 2000-2001</b> |
| WAYNE   | 32,850             | 31,349             | -4%                     |
| OAKLAND                                       | 4,031              | 3,683              | -9%                     |
| GENESEE                                       | 3,679              | 3,302              | -10%                    |
| MACOMB  | 2,669              | 3,038              | 14%                     |
| KENT  | 1,500              | 1,359              | -9%                     |
| WASHTENAW                                     | 912                | 927                | 2%                      |
| KALAMAZOO                                     | 761                | 804                | 6%                      |
| INGHAM  | 697                | 764                | 10%                     |
| SAGINAW                                       | 756                | 747                | -1%                     |
| MUSKEGON                                      | 801                | 614                | -23%                    |
| CALHOUN                                       | 533                | 541                | 2%                      |
| JACKSON                                       | 420                | 477                | 14%                     |
| BERRIEN                                       | 366                | 458                | 25%                     |
| MONROE  | 363                | 358                | -1%                     |
| ST. CLAIR                                     | 268                | 308                | 15%                     |
| BAY   | 221                | 233                | 5%                      |
| OTTAWA  | 240                | 222                | -8%                     |
| VAN BUREN                                     | 170                | 203                | 19%                     |
| LIVINGSTON                                    | 160                | 202                | 26%                     |
| EATON   | 132                | 170                | 29%                     |
| <b>STATE TOTAL</b>                            | <b>53,889</b>      | <b>52,310</b>      | <b>2.9%</b>             |



| <b>MICHIGAN'S MOST STOLEN</b> |                        |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| <b>Make/Model</b>             |                        |
| 1.                            | 2000 Jeep Cherokee     |
| 2.                            | 2000 Dodge Intrepid    |
| 3.                            | 2002 Dodge Stratus     |
| 4.                            | 2002 Chrysler Sebring  |
| 5.                            | 1999 Dodge Intrepid    |
| 6.                            | 2002 Pontiac Grand Am  |
| 7.                            | 2001 Dodge Neon        |
| 8.                            | 1994 Plymouth Voyager  |
| 9.                            | 2001 Dodge Stratus     |
| 10.                           | 1989 Chevrolet Caprice |
|                               |                        |
|                               |                        |

| <b>THIEVES FAVORITE CHOICES</b> |              |                    |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| <b>Color</b>                    | <b>Month</b> | <b>Day of Week</b> |
| 1. White                        | 1. October   | 1. Monday          |
| 2. Blue                         | 2. November  | 2. Tuesday         |
| 3. Black                        | 3. September | 3. Friday          |
| 4. Green                        | 4. July      | 4. Wednesday       |
| 5. Red                          | 5. June      | 5. Saturday        |
| 6. Maroon                       | 6. January   | 6. Thursday        |
| 7. Gray                         | 7. August    | 7. Sunday          |
| 8. Silver                       | 8. December  |                    |
| 9. Gold                         | 9. May       |                    |
| 10. Brown                       | 10. March    |                    |
|                                 | 11. April    |                    |
|                                 | 12. February |                    |

Source: Michigan LEIN



## 2002 ATPA GRANT PERFORMANCE

| LAW ENFORCEMENT       | ATPA<br>GRANT<br>AWARD | VALUE<br>VEHICLE<br>& EQUIP<br>RECOVERED | RECOVERIES           |                  |                             | ARRESTS      |               |
|-----------------------|------------------------|--|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------|
|                       |                        |  | PASS<br>VEHICLE      | OTHER<br>VEHICLE | PARTS<br>INCIDENT           | MVT          | OTHER         |
| Centerline PD         | \$ 5,453               |  |                      |                  |                             | 1            | 2             |
| Detroit PD-Cats       | \$ 686,999             | \$ 4,670,700                             | 397                  | 25               | 5                           | 574          | 5             |
| Detroit PD-Screen     | \$ 552,852             | \$ 5,726,247                             | 825                  | 15               |                             | 1,055        | 30            |
| Detroit PD-Carjacking | \$ 124,692             | \$ 761,423                               | 69                   |                  |                             | 57           |               |
| Detroit Fire Dept.    | \$ 79,243              | \$ 970,200                               | 86                   |                  |                             | 62           | 15            |
| Grand Rapids PD       | \$ 228,267             | \$ 1,049,600                             | 96                   | 6                | 3                           | 181          | 56            |
| Hamtramck PD          | \$ 102,286             | \$ 987,250                               | 167                  | 1                | 1                           | 57           | 3             |
| Lansing PD            | \$ 67,194              | \$ 425,275                               | 47                   | 2                |                             | 59           | 10            |
| Saginaw PD            | \$ 139,302             | \$ 911,150                               | 146                  | 6                | 3                           | 125          | 20            |
| Southfield PD         | \$ 156,869             | \$ 560,720                               | 27                   |                  | 3                           | 21           | 6             |
| Genesee Sheriff       | \$ 426,715             | \$ 920,975                               | 133                  | 2                | 1                           | 63           | 2             |
| Macomb Sheriff        | \$ 541,510             | \$ 2,001,855                             | 234                  | 10               | 6                           | 173          |               |
| Oakland Sheriff       | \$ 458,396             | \$ 3,004,471                             | 255                  | 24               | 8                           | 136          | 17            |
| Training Grant        | \$ 218,800             | \$ 851,300                               | 152                  |                  |                             | 56           | 3             |
| Western Wayne Team    | \$ 623,096             | \$ 5,176,920                             | 477                  | 8                | 3                           | 41           | 16            |
| Downriver Team        | \$ 437,693             | \$ 2,376,711                             | 204                  | 10               | 18                          | 62           | 1             |
| Monroe Team           | \$ 82,361              | \$ 320,300                               | 17                   | 13               | 2                           | 21           | 4             |
| S.W. Michigan Team    | \$ 335,466             | \$ 675,425                               | 57                   | 20               | 9                           | 32           | 4             |
| Washtenaw Team        | \$ 141,088             | \$ 368,400                               | 18                   | 21               | 1                           | 17           |               |
| <b>Subtotal</b>       | <b>\$ 5,408,282</b>    | <b>\$ 31,758,922</b>                     | <b>3,407</b>         | <b>163</b>       | <b>63</b>                   | <b>2,793</b> | <b>194</b>    |
| PROSECUTORS           |                        | WARRANTS<br>ISSUED                       | EXAMS<br>HELD        | EXAMS<br>WAIVED  | PRETRIAL<br>GUILTY<br>PLEAS | TRIALS       | TRIAL<br>CONV |
|                       |                        |  |                      |                  |                             |              |               |
| Genesee County Pros   | \$ 73,398              | 248                                      | 96                   | 122              | 185                         |              |               |
| Oakland County Pros   | \$ 171,181             | 295                                      | 43                   | 213              | 303                         | 10           | 8             |
| Saginaw County Pros   | \$ 30,772              | 191                                      | 47                   | 83               | 138                         | 2            | 2             |
| Macomb County Pros    | \$ 78,163              | 148                                      | 11                   | 108              | 155                         |              |               |
| Wayne County Pros     | \$ 351,296             | 1,895                                    | 326                  | 1,390            | 1,341                       | 84           | 78            |
| <b>Subtotal</b>       | <b>\$ 704,810</b>      | <b>2,777</b>                             | <b>523</b>           | <b>1,916</b>     | <b>2,122</b>                | <b>96</b>    | <b>88</b>     |
| NON-PROFITS           |                        | VEHICLES<br>ETCHED                       | TRAINING<br>MEETINGS |                  |                             |              |               |
|                       |                        |  |                      |                  |                             |              |               |
| West Grand            | \$ 18,496              | 853                                      | 19                   |                  |                             |              |               |
| Garfield Park         | \$ 14,296              | 272                                      | 17                   |                  |                             |              |               |
| N.S.O.                | \$ 41,307              | 1,513                                    | 25                   |                  |                             |              |               |
| <b>Subtotal</b>       | <b>\$ 74,099</b>       | <b>2,638</b>                             | <b>61</b>            |                  |                             |              |               |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b>    | <b>\$ 6,187,191</b>    |  |                      |                  |                             |              |               |

## 2003 GRANT AWARDS

| Organization   | Employees<br>Funded | Grantee<br>Share (25%) | ATPA<br>Share (75%) | Total<br>Budget    |
|--|---------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES</b>                                  |                     |                        |                     |                    |
| ATPA Training Grant #5   | 2.0                 |                        | \$109,400           | \$109,400          |
| Genesee County Sheriff Department                                | 7.0                 | 149,431                | 448,292             | 597,723            |
| Detroit Fire Department  | 1.5                 | 29,662                 | 88,986              | 118,648            |
| Hamtramck Police Department                                      | 2.0                 | 39,251                 | 117,754             | 157,005            |
| Southfield Police Department                                     | 2.0                 | 55,029                 | 165,087             | 220,116            |
| Michigan Dept. of State  | 2.0                 | 22,222                 | 66,667              | 88,889             |
| Oakland County Sheriff Department                                | 8.0                 | 175,484                | 526,451             | 701,935            |
| Ottawa County Sheriff Department                                 | .125                | \$2,494                | 7,481               | 9,975              |
| Macomb County Sheriff Department                                 | 8.0                 | 188,895                | 566,686             | 755,581            |
| Southwest Michigan Team/S.C.A.R.                                 | 4.8                 | 117,057                | 351,171             | 468,228            |
| Downriver Team   | 7.0                 | 161,390                | 484,171             | 645,561            |
| Monroe Team  | 1.0                 | 28,706                 | 86,117              | 114,823            |
| Western Wayne Team   | 10.3                | 221,640                | 664,921             | 886,561            |
| Washtenaw County Team  | 2.0                 | 49,349                 | 148,046             | 197,395            |
| Detroit Police Department-Screen Door Team                       | 10.0                | 187,081                | 561,242             | 748,323            |
| Saginaw Police Department  | 2.8                 | 47,741                 | 143,222             | 190,963            |
| Detroit Police Department-CAT Team                               | 13.0                | 232,611                | 697,834             | 930,445            |
| Grand Rapids Combined Team                                       | 4.0                 | 79,297                 | 237,892             | 317,189            |
| Lansing Police Department  | 1.0                 | 22,904                 | 68,711              | 91,615             |
| Total, Law Enforcement Agencies (includes 9.4 FTE support staff) | 88.525              | \$1,810,244            | \$5,540,131         | \$7,350,375        |
| <b>PROSECUTING ATTORNEY'S OFFICES</b>                            |                     |                        |                     |                    |
| Genesee County Prosecuting Attorney                              | 1.5                 | \$29,359               | \$88,076            | \$117,435          |
| Oakland County Prosecuting Attorney                              | 2.0                 | 59,732                 | 179,196             | 238,928            |
| Saginaw County Prosecuting Attorney                              | 0.5                 | 10,763                 | 32,288              | 43,051             |
| Macomb County Prosecuting Attorney                               | 1.0                 | 28,143                 | 84,428              | 112,571            |
| Wayne County Prosecuting Attorney                                | 7.0                 | 130,574                | 391,721             | 522,295            |
| Total, Prosecuting Attorneys (includes 3.5 FTE support staff)    | 12.0                | \$258,571              | \$775,709           | \$1,034,280        |
| <b>NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS (No Matching Funds Required)</b>     |                     |                        |                     |                    |
| West Grand Neighborhood Organization-Grand Rapids                | 0.6                 |                        | \$20,700            | \$20,700           |
| Garfield Park Neighborhoods-Grand Rapids                         | 0.5                 |                        | 15,860              | 15,860             |
| Neighborhood Services Organization-Detroit                       | 1.0                 |                        | 40,508              | 40,508             |
| Total, Non-Profit Organizations                                  | 2.1                 |                        | \$77,068            | \$77,068           |
| <b>Grand Totals</b>  | <b>102.63</b>       | <b>\$2,068,815</b>     | <b>\$6,392,908</b>  | <b>\$8,461,723</b> |

### Funding by Category

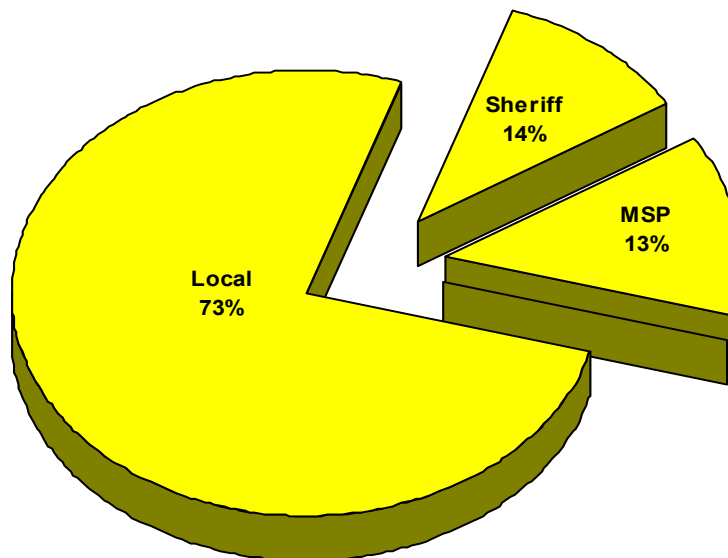
For 2003, the ATPA awarded 86.7% of its funds to law enforcement agencies, 12.1% to prosecutor offices, and 1.2% to non-profit organizations.

### Law Enforcement FTE's Funded by the ATPA

The ATPA is funded through a \$1 assessment on every insured private passenger vehicle. This revenue has stayed relatively constant since the beginning of the program over a decade ago. Program costs have increased during the same period. As a result, the number of funded sworn officers was reduced from 99 in 1988 to 79 in the year 2003.

## OFFICERS SUPPORTED BY ATPA - 2003

| TEAMS                         | LOCAL         | SHERIFF    | MSP        | TOTAL         |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| ATPA Training                 | 2             |            |            | 2             |
| Ottawa County Sheriff Dept.   | 0.125         |            |            | 0.125         |
| Genesee County Sheriff Dept.  | 5             | 1          |            | 6             |
| Detroit Fire Department       | 1             |            |            | 1             |
| Hamtramck Police Dept.        | 2             |            |            | 2             |
| Southfield Police Dept.       | 2             |            |            | 2             |
| Oakland County Sheriff Dept.  | 4             | 4          |            | 8             |
| Macomb County Sheriff Dept.   | 3             | 3          | 1          | 7             |
| S.W. Michigan-SCAR            |               | 2          | 2          | 4             |
| Downriver Team                | 3             |            | 3          | 6             |
| Monroe County Team            |               |            | 1          | 1             |
| Western Wayne County Team     | 7             |            | 2          | 9             |
| Washtenaw County Team         |               | 1          | 1          | 2             |
| Detroit PD- Screen Door Team  | 10            |            |            | 10            |
| Saginaw Police Department     | 2             |            |            | 2             |
| Detroit Police Dept.-CAT Team | 12            |            |            | 12            |
| Grand Rapids Combined Team    | 4             |            |            | 4             |
| Lansing Police Department     | 1             |            |            | 1             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                  | <b>58.125</b> | <b>11</b>  | <b>10</b>  | <b>79.125</b> |
| <b>% OF TOTAL</b>             | <b>73%</b>    | <b>14%</b> | <b>13%</b> | <b>100.0%</b> |



**Officers Supported By ATPA**

# AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY

## Department of State Police Schedule of Sources and Disposition of Authorizations and Changes in Balances Fiscal Years Ended September 30

|  | <u>2002</u>        | <u>2001</u>        |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>SOURCES</b>                                 |                    |                    |
| Insurance Company Assessments                  | \$6,436,614        | \$6,282,993        |
| Interest on Investments                        | 224,385            | 550,461            |
| Other Income                                   | <u>3,102</u>       | <u>3,440</u>       |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                   | <b>\$6,664,101</b> | <b>\$6,836,894</b> |
| <b>DISPOSITION</b>                             |                    |                    |
| Automobile Theft Prevention Grants             | \$4,886,492        | \$5,746,822        |
| Office Operations                              | 400,638            | 421,183            |
| Indirect Costs                                 | 21,000             | 21,000             |
| Technology Assessments                         | 6,400              | 6,300              |
| Prior Years Reconciliation                     | <u>(10,276)</u>    | <u>0</u>           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                   | <b>\$5,304,254</b> | <b>\$6,195,305</b> |
| <br>Excess of Sources Over (Under) Disposition | <br>\$ 1,359,847   | <br>\$ 641,589     |
| Beginning Balances                             | <u>8,553,186</u>   | <u>7,911,597</u>   |
| Ending Balances                                | <u>\$9,913,033</u> | <u>\$8,553,186</u> |
| <br>Reserve for Grants Previously Awarded      | <br>\$1,829,546    | <br>\$ 619,869     |
| Unrestricted Balances                          | <u>8,083,487</u>   | <u>7,933,317</u>   |
| Total Unexpended Balances                      | <u>\$9,913,033</u> | <u>\$8,553,186</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial schedule.

**Note 1: Significant Accounting Policies**

**a. Reporting Entity**

The accompanying financial schedule reports the results of the financial transactions of the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority, Department of State Police, for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2002 and September 30, 2001. The Automobile Theft Prevention Authority's operations are accounted for in the State's General Fund and are reported on in the State of Michigan Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The State of Michigan Comprehensive Annual Financial Report provides general disclosures regarding: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies; Budgeting and Budgetary Control; State Treasurer's Common Cash; Pension Benefits; Compensated Absences; General Long Term Obligations; Contingencies and Other Commitments.

**b. Basis of Accounting**

The financial schedule contained in this report is prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting as explained in more detail in the State of Michigan Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.

The accompanying financial schedule includes only the sources and disposition of authorizations and the changes in balances for the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority's General Fund accounts. Accordingly, the financial schedule is not intended to constitute a complete financial presentation of either the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority or the General Fund in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

The State of Michigan has not officially closed the books for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2002.

**Note 2: Disposition** - Reconciled prior years' account payables.

**Note 3: Common Cash Participation**

The fund balances of the authority are deposited in the State Treasurer's Common Cash Pool and interest is earned on those balances.

**Note 4: Other Income** AAA reimbursement of \$1,500 and \$1,602 refund from grant no. 46-01.

The following schedule represents the number of earned car years of insured vehicles in 2001, providing no-fault personal injury protection. The assessment was due on April 1, 2002.

## INSURANCE COMPANY ASSESSMENTS FOR 2002

| COMPANY NAME |                               | ASSESSMENT   | COMPANY NAME |                                  | ASSESSMENT  |
|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| 1            | State Farm Mutual Ins Co.     | \$ 1,189,730 | 40           | West American Insurance          | 10,295      |
| 2            | Auto Club Insurance           | 1,141,348    | 41           | SECURA Mutual                    | 10,177      |
| 3            | Citizens Insurance            | 634,208      | 42           | Amica Mutual Insurance           | 8,718       |
| 4            | Auto-Owners                   | 537,820      | 43           | Freemont Mutual Insurance        | 8,277       |
| 5            | Allstate Insurance            | 537,231      | 44           | Federal Insurance Co.            | 8,268       |
| 6            | Farm Bureau Mutual            | 267,291      | 45           | One Beacon (formerly CGU)        | 7,359       |
| 7            | Farmers Insurance Exchange    | 227,665      | 46           | Dairyland Insurance              | 7,147       |
| 8            | Progressive of Michigan       | 174,046      | 47           | Lumbermens Mutual Casualty       | 7,129       |
| 9            | Michigan Ed. Emp.Mutual       | 170,060      | 48           | American Bankers of Florida      | 6,023       |
| 10           | Nationwide Mutual Fire Ins.   | 159,975      | 49           | State Automobile Mutual Ins.     | 5,644       |
| 11           | Liberty Mutual Fire Ins.      | 136,982      | 50           | Emcasco Insurance Co.            | 4,561       |
| 12           | Titan Insurance Company       | 122,678      | 51           | American Physicians Assurance    | 4,172       |
| 13           | MIC General Corporation       | 120,078      | 52           | Founders Insurance Co.           | 3,669       |
| 14           | AIU Insurance Company         | 99,237       | 53           | Partners Mutual Insurance        | 3,427       |
| 15           | USAA Casualty Ins.            | 80,340       | 54           | Michigan Twp. Participating Plan | 2,558       |
| 16           | Hartford Insurance of Midwest | 79,408       | 55           | Colonial Penn Insurance          | 2,507       |
| 17           | Frankenmuth Mutual Ins.       | 78,471       | 56           | Guaranty National Insurance      | 2,180       |
| 18           | Cincinnati Insurance          | 50,574       | 57           | St Paul Mercury                  | 2,036       |
| 19           | Metropolitan Group Property   | 45,374       | 58           | Travelers Indemnity              | 1,832       |
| 20           | Safeco Insurance of Illinois  | 43,909       | 59           | American Insurance               | 1,183       |
| 21           | Pioneer State Mutual          | 42,984       | 60           | American and Foreign Ins.        | 1,099       |
| 22           | Michigan Millers Mutual       | 37,155       | 61           | American Modern Home             | 529         |
| 23           | Modern Service Insurance      | 36,252       | 62           | Buckeye State Mutual Ins.        | 444         |
| 24           | GEICO Indemnity Company       | 35,203       | 63           | Millers Mutual Fire Ins.         | 347         |
| 25           | Hastings Mutual Ins.          | 29,017       | 64           | Warner Insurance                 | 248         |
| 26           | Lake States Insurance         | 27,812       | 65           | Unitrin Direct Insurance         | 131         |
| 27           | Continental Insurance         | 27,609       | 66           | Northern Mutual Insurance        | 123         |
| 28           | North Pointe Insurance        | 25,848       | 67           | Argonaut Insurance Co.           | 120         |
| 29           | Horace Mann Insurance         | 23,543       | 68           | Pharmacists Mutual Ins.          | 87          |
| 30           | Foremost Prop.& Cas.          | 18,493       | 69           | Greenwich Insurance Co.          | 86          |
| 31           | Wolverine Mutual Ins.         | 18,408       | 70           | Merastar Insurance Co.           | 72          |
| 32           | Great American Ins.           | 16,243       | 71           | Tokio Marine & Fire Ltd.         | 46          |
| 33           | M.A.I.P.F.                    | 16,050       | 72           | Ranger Insurance Co.             | 17          |
| 34           | American Fellowship Mutual    | 15,244       | 73           | Merchants Mutual Ins.            | 16          |
| 35           | Amex Assurance Co.            | 14,413       | 74           | Yasuda Fire & Marine             | 15          |
| 36           | Southern MI Mutual Ins.       | 11,731       | 75           | Grange Ins. of Michigan          | 13          |
| 37           | Michigan Insurance Co.        | 11,662       | 76           | Northern Assurance of America    | 11          |
| 38           | Westfield Insurance Co.       | 11,603       | 77           | Sorema No. Am. Reinsurance       | 3           |
| 39           | Great Lakes Casualty Ins.     | 10,347       | 78           | Aegis Security Ins.              | 1           |
|              |                               |              |              | TOTAL                            | \$6,436,614 |

## 2003 ATPA PROGRAM CONTACTS

### LAW ENFORCEMENT

|  |                        | <u>Contact</u>                         | <u>Phone</u>   | <u>Fax</u>   |
|--|------------------------|--|--|--|
| <b>Genesee Auto Theft Investigation Network</b><br>3476 Mundy Avenue | Swartz Creek, MI 48473 | Lt. Randy Smith                        | 810/655-8185   | 810/655-8058   |
| <b>Detroit Fire Department</b><br>250 West Larned Street             | Detroit, MI 48226      | Chief John Tucker                      | 313/596-2940   | 313/596-2964   |
| <b>Hamtramck Police Department</b><br>3456 Evaline Street            | Hamtramck, MI 48212    | Ofcr. Gregory Collins                  | 313/876-7824   | 313/876-7829   |
| <b>Southfield Police Department</b><br>26000 Evergreen Road          | Southfield, MI 48037   | Det. Lawrence Jones                    | 248/354-4825   | 248/354-9512   |
| <b>Michigan Department of State</b><br>7064 Crowner Drive            | Lansing, MI 48918      | Mr. William McGary                     | 517/322-3453   | 517/322-5458   |
| <b>Oakland County Auto Theft Squad</b><br>1201 North Telegraph Road  | Pontiac, MI 48341      | Sgt. Kevin Banycky                     | 248/858-5208   | 248/858-1754   |
| <b>Ottawa County Sheriff's Office</b><br>12220 Fillmore Street       | West Olive, MI 49460   | Ms. Kathleen Lawton                    | 616/738-4622   | 616/738-4062   |
| <b>Macomb County Auto Theft Squad</b><br>43565 Elizabeth Road        | Mt. Clemens, MI 48043  | Lt. Brenda Baker                       | 586/792-3174   | 586/792-9326   |
| <b>MSP - SW Commercial Auto Recovery</b><br>4000 Collins Road        | Lansing, MI 48909      | D/Lt. Randy Pompey                     | 269/657-3187   | 269/657-7181   |
| <b>MSP - Downriver Auto Theft Team</b><br>18050 Deering              | Livonia, MI 48152      | D/Lt. Michael Lewis                    | 734/479-4130   | 734/479-2371   |
| <b>MSP - Monroe Auto Theft Team</b><br>P.O. Box 1824                 | Monroe, MI 48161       | D/Sgt. Jeff Hart                       | 734/848-3445   | 734/848-3502   |
| <b>MSP - Western Wayne Auto Theft Team</b><br>18050 Deering          | Livonia, MI 48152      | D/Lt. Bill Darnell                     | 734/397-0090   | 734/397-1378   |
| <b>MSP - Washtenaw Area Auto Theft Team</b><br>P.O. Box 1211         | Ann Arbor, MI 48106    | D/Sgt. George Warchock                 | 734/994-8652   | 734/994-8657   |
| <b>Detroit Police Department - CAT Section</b><br>7800 Dix Road      | Detroit, MI 48209      | Lt. Samuel Carter<br>Lt. Bob Ennis     | 313/596-2553<br>313/596-2568                           | 313/596-2727<br>313/596-2727                               |
| <b>Saginaw County Auto Theft Team</b><br>612 Federal Avenue          | Saginaw, MI 48607      | Det. Jim Foley                         | 989/759-1212   | 989/759-1525   |
| <b>Grand Rapids Area Auto Theft Team</b><br>One Monroe Center NW     | Grand Rapids, MI 49503 | Sgt. Stanley Lis                       | 616/456-3338   | 616/456-3799   |
| <b>Lansing Police Department</b><br>3400 South Cedar Street          | Lansing, MI 48910      | Det. Brian Hunter                      | 517/272-7477   | 517/272-7450   |
| <b>ATPA Training Unit</b><br>4000 Collins Road                       | Lansing, MI 48909      | Mr. Doug McCallister<br>Mr. Ken Tassie | 517/336-6375<br><i>Cell Phone</i><br><i>Cell Phone</i> | 517/333-4289<br><i>989/666-0096</i><br><i>517/404-6767</i> |

### PROSECUTORS

|   |                       |                     |              |              |
|---|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Genesee County Prosecutor's Office</b><br>Room 100, 900 South Saginaw Street | Flint, MI 48502       | Mr. Anthony Maxwell | 810/237-6138 | 810/768-7973 |
| <b>Oakland County Prosecutor's Office</b><br>1200 North Telegraph Road          | Pontiac, MI 48341     | Ms. Margaret Scott  | 248/858-8795 | 248/858-0660 |
| <b>Saginaw County Prosecutor's Office</b><br>111 South Michigan Avenue          | Saginaw, MI 48602     | Mr. Randy Price     | 989/790-5346 | 989/792-0803 |
| <b>Macomb County Prosecutor's Office</b><br>1 South Main Street                 | Mt. Clemens, MI 48043 | Mr. Dean Alan       | 586/469-5350 | 586/469-5609 |
| <b>Wayne County Prosecutor's Office</b><br>1441 St. Antoine, Room 1237          | Detroit, MI 48226     | Mr. Wade McCann     | 313/224-2898 | 313/224-0974 |

### NON-PROFITS

|  |                        |                    |              |              |
|--|------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>West Grand Neighborhood Organization</b><br>625 Broadway NW   | Grand Rapids, MI 49504 | Mr. Jim Brower     | 616/451-0150 | 616/451-4788 |
| <b>Garfield Park Neighborhoods Association</b><br>334 Burton SE  | Grand Rapids, MI 49507 | Mr. Juan Tijerina  | 616/241-2443 | 616/241-5768 |
| <b>Neighborhood Service Organization</b><br>18819 West McNichols | Detroit, MI 48219      | Ms. GayLynne Brown | 313/537-5268 | 313/537-5358 |

Act No. 174  
Public Acts of 1992  
Approved by the Governor  
July 22, 1992  
Filed with the Secretary of State  
July 23, 1992

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
86TH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 1992**

Introduced by Reps. Dobronski, Byrum, Pitoniak, Mathieu, Jonker, Emerson, Scott, Porreca, Bennane, Profit, Brown, Sikkema, Palamara, Weeks and Bartnik

# **ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 5855**

An act to amend Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, entitled as amended "An act to revise, consolidate, and classify the laws relating to the insurance and surety business; to regulate the incorporation or formation of domestic insurance and surety companies and associations and the admission of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide their rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which companies and associations organized, existing, or authorized under this act may exercise their powers; to provide the rights, powers, and immunities and to prescribe the conditions on which other persons, firms, corporations, associations, risk retention groups, and purchasing groups engaged in an insurance or surety business may exercise their powers; to provide for the imposition of a privilege fee on domestic insurance companies and associations and the state accident fund; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of foreign and alien companies and associations; to provide for the imposition of a tax on risk retention groups and purchasing groups; to provide for the imposition of a tax on the business of surplus line agents; to modify tort liability arising out of certain accidents; to provide for limited actions with respect to that modified tort liability and to prescribe certain procedures for maintaining those actions; to require security for losses arising out of certain accidents; to provide for the continued availability and affordability of automobile insurance and homeowners insurance in this state and to facilitate the purchase of that insurance by all residents of this state at fair and reasonable rates; to provide for certain reporting with respect to insurance and with respect to certain claims against uninsured or self-insured persons; to prescribe duties for certain state departments and officers with respect to that reporting; to provide for certain assessments; to establish and continue certain state insurance funds; to modify and clarify the status, rights, powers, duties, and operations of the nonprofit malpractice insurance fund; to provide for the departmental supervision and regulation of the insurance and surety business within this state; to provide for the conservation, rehabilitation, or liquidation of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for the protection of policyholders, claimants, and creditors of unsound or insolvent insurers; to provide for associations of insurers to protect policyholders and claimants in the event of insurer insolvencies; to prescribe educational requirements for insurance agents and solicitors; to provide for the regulation of multiple employer welfare arrangements; to create an automobile theft prevention authority to reduce the number of automobile thefts in this state; to prescribe the powers and duties of the automobile theft prevention authority; to provide certain powers and duties upon certain officials, departments, and authorities

of this state; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts on specific dates; to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates; and to provide penalties for the violation of this act," as amended, being sections 500.100 to 500.8302 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, by adding chapter 61.

*The People of the State of Michigan enact:*

Section 1. Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, as amended, being sections 500.100 to 500.8302 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended by adding chapter 61 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 61

AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY

Sec. 6101. As used in this chapter:

- (a) "Authority" means the automobile theft prevention authority.
- (b) "Board" means the board of directors of the automobile theft prevention authority.
- (c) "Economic automobile theft" means automobile theft perpetrated for financial gain.

Sec. 6103. (1) There is hereby created a public body corporate and politic to be known as the automobile theft prevention authority.

(2) The purposes, powers, and duties of the authority shall be vested in and exercised by a board of directors.

(3) The board of directors shall consist of 7 members, appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the senate, 2 of whom shall be representative of purchasers of automobile insurance in this state, 2 of whom shall be representative of automobile insurers doing business in this state, 2 of whom shall be representative of law enforcement officials in this state, and 1 of whom shall be the director of the department of state police or his or her designee. The governor shall designate 1 member to serve as the chairperson of the authority.

(4) Members of the board shall serve for a term of 4 years.

(5) Members of the board shall serve without compensation for their membership on the board, except that members of the board shall receive reasonable reimbursement for necessary travel and expenses.

(6) A majority of the members of the board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting, or the exercise of a power or function of the authority, notwithstanding the existence of 1 or more vacancies. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, action may be taken by the authority at a meeting upon a vote of the majority of its members present in person or through the use of amplified telephonic equipment, if authorized by the bylaws of the board. The authority shall meet at the call of the chair or as may be provided in the bylaws of the authority. Meetings of the authority may be held anywhere within the state of Michigan.

(7) The authority shall be within the department of state police and shall exercise its prescribed statutory powers, duties, and functions independently of the head of that department. The budgeting, procurement, and related functions of the authority, and administrative responsibilities for employees of the authority, shall be performed under the direction and supervision of the director of the department of state police.

Sec. 6105. The authority shall have the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of this chapter and the purposes of the authority and the powers delegated by other laws, including, but not limited to, the power to:

(a) Sue and be sued; to have a seal and alter the same at pleasure; to have perpetual succession; to make, execute, and deliver contracts, conveyances, and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers; and to make and amend bylaws.

(b) Solicit and accept gifts, grants, loans, funds collected and placed in the automobile theft prevention fund, and other aids from any person or the federal, state, or a local government or any agency thereof.

(c) Make grants and investments.

(d) Procure insurance against any loss in connection with its property, assets, or activities.

(e) Invest any money held in reserve or sinking funds, or any money not required for immediate use or disbursement, at its discretion and to name and use depositories for its money.

(f) Contract for goods and services and engage personnel as is necessary, including the services of private consultants, managers, counsel, auditors, and others for rendering professional, management, and technical assistance and advice, payable out of any money of the fund legally available for this purpose.

(g) Indemnify and procure insurance indemnifying any member of the board from personal loss or accountability from liability resulting from a member's action or inaction as a member of the board.



(h) Do all other things necessary or convenient to achieve the objectives and purposes of the authority, this chapter, or other laws.

Sec. 6107. (1) Prior to April 1 of each year, each insurer engaged in writing insurance coverages which provide the security required by section 3101(1) within this state, as a condition of its authority to transact insurance in this state, shall pay to the authority an assessment equal to \$1.00 multiplied by the insurer's total earned car years of insurance providing the security required by section 3101(1) written in this state during the immediately preceding calendar year.

(2) Money received pursuant to subsection (1), and all other money received by the authority, shall be segregated and placed in a fund to be known as the automobile theft prevention fund. The automobile theft prevention fund shall be administered by the authority.

(3) Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall be expended in the following order of priority:

(a) To pay the costs of administration of the authority.

(b) To achieve the purposes and objectives of this chapter, which may include, but not be limited to, the following:

(i) Provide financial support to the department of state police and local law enforcement agencies for economic automobile theft enforcement teams.

(ii) Provide financial support to state or local law enforcement agencies for programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile theft.

(iii) Provide financial support to local prosecutors for programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile theft.

(iv) Provide financial support to judicial agencies for programs designed to reduce the incidence of economic automobile theft.

(v) Provide financial support for neighborhood or community organizations or business organizations for programs designed to reduce the incidence of automobile theft.

(vi) Conduct educational programs designed to inform automobile owners of methods of preventing automobile theft and to provide equipment, for experimental purposes, to enable automobile owners to prevent automobile theft.

(4) Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall only be used for automobile theft prevention efforts and shall be distributed based on need and efficacy as determined by the authority.

(5) Money in the automobile theft prevention fund shall not be considered state money.

Sec. 6110. (1) The authority shall develop and implement a plan of operation.

(2) The plan of operation shall include an assessment of the scope of the problem of automobile theft, including particular areas of the state where the problem is greatest; an analysis of various methods of combating the problem of automobile theft and economic automobile theft; a plan for providing financial support to combat automobile theft and economic automobile theft; and an estimate of the funds required to implement the plan.

(3) The authority shall report annually on or before February 1 to the governor and the legislature on its activities in the preceding year.

Sec. 6111. By July 1 of every odd numbered year, the automobile theft prevention authority shall prepare a report that details the theft of automobiles occurring in this state for the previous 2 years, assesses the impact of the thefts on rates charged for automobile insurance, summarizes prevention programs, and outlines allocations made by the authority. The director of the department of state police, insurers, the state court administrative office, and the commissioner shall cooperate in the development of the report as requested by the automobile theft prevention authority and shall make available records and statistics concerning automobile thefts, including the number of automobile thefts, number of prosecutions and convictions involving automobile thefts, and automobile theft recidivism. The automobile theft prevention authority shall evaluate the impact automobile theft has on the citizens of this state and the costs incurred by the citizens through insurance, police enforcement, prosecution, and incarceration due to automobile thefts. The report required by this section shall be submitted to the senate and house of representatives standing committees on insurance issues and the commissioner.

Section 2. Chapter 61 of Act No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1956, as added by this amendatory act, is retroactive and applies effective April 1, 1992.

# **What You Should Know When Buying or Selling a Vehicle**

## **PRIVATE VEHICLE SALES**

- Ask for purchaser's drivers license to fully complete the purchaser's section of the title, and copy the information onto a separate receipt form for yourself.
- Be sure to fill in the actual vehicle mileage box and the sales price line before you sign the title.
- If purchaser presents a bank money order or cashier's check, go to that financial institution and cash it before releasing the vehicle title.
- Never agree to meet purchaser at a remote location after normal business hours.
- It is a good idea to conduct the vehicle sale inside a Secretary of State office because they have records on all drivers and can help you identify the purchaser.

## **PRIVATE VEHICLE PURCHASES**

- Be suspicious of any deal that seems "too good to be true".
- Make sure the title and registration match the name and address of the seller.
- Be cautious of a seller who only gives you their cell phone number.
- Ensure the vehicle identification number (VIN) plate looks original and the rivets that secure the plate have not been tampered with.
- Match the VIN on the dash with the VIN on the registration, the title, and the federal safety sticker on the driver's door.
- Check the issue date on the vehicle's registration and title. If either were issued recently, ask the seller why.
- It is a good idea to complete the vehicle purchase inside a Secretary of State office because they can identify counterfeit registrations and titles.
- For a modest fee, you can find out much about a vehicle's history from an on-line service.

**For More Information, Please Contact:**

**Michigan Automobile Theft Prevention Authority  
Michigan State Police  
714 South Harrison Road  
East Lansing, Michigan 48823**

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